

The Resurrection of Our Lord

March 31, 2024

9:00 & 11:00 am

Messiah Lutheran Church

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Welcome to worship this Easter Resurrection Day in the community of faith known as Messiah Lutheran Church & School. It is with great joy that we celebrate this day! We pray you may be strengthened through his word and the hope-filled promise of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The sacrament of holy communion is central to our worship life. If you are a first-time worshipper here, know that you are invited to receive and partake in the sharing of holy communion. Instructions for communion distribution can be found in the worship bulletin at the time of communion.

First-time worshippers & Guests! We are absolutely delighted and honored you have chosen to worship the Risen Christ today here at Messiah. If you have any needs or questions, please speak with an Usher or Deacon in the Narthex area in the back of the sanctuary.

Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen, Indeed!

Introduction to The Day

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, “God shows no partiality” (Acts 10:34): Christ’s resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God’s faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God’s endless love.

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+ Gathering +

Prelude

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Arr. James Biery

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Gathering Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Easter Greeting

P Grace and peace to you from him who is, who was, and who is to come, from our Lord, Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

C To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, who has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father — to him be glory and dominion forever and ever! Amen.

P Christ is risen!

C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P The uncountable multitude of nations and peoples stand before the Lamb upon his throne, crying out with a loud voice:

C Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!

P And all the angels around the throne worship him saying:

C Blessing and honor, glory and thanksgiving, power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.

P And all the creatures of the earth shout:

C Amen!

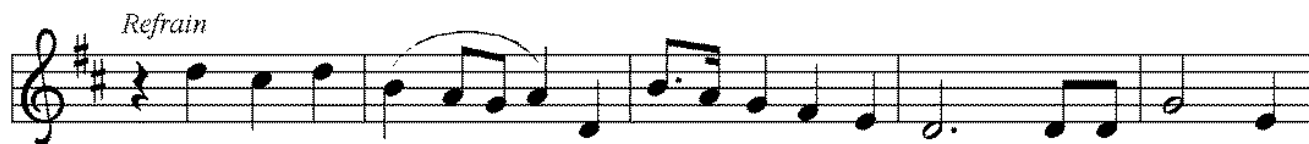
P And all the saints and angels shout:

C Amen!

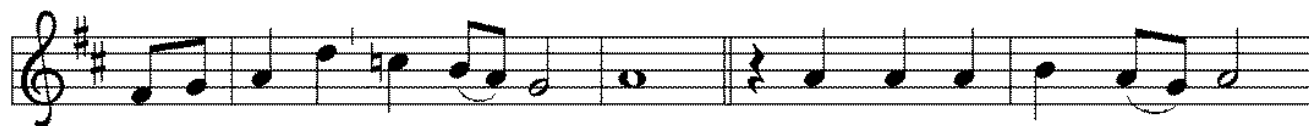
P And the people of the Lamb shout:

C Amen and Amen!

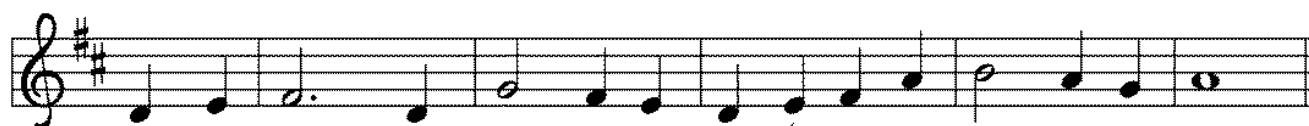
Hymn of Praise



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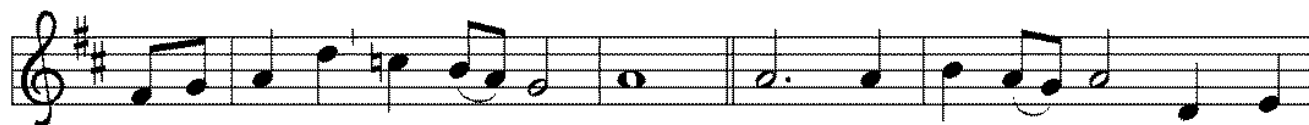
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



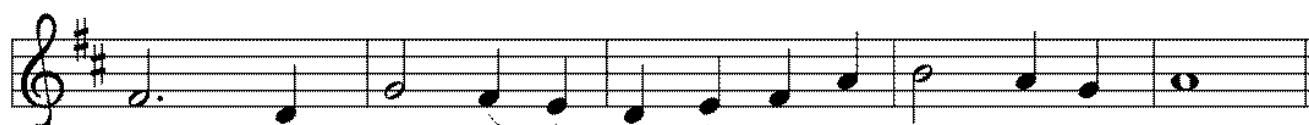
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



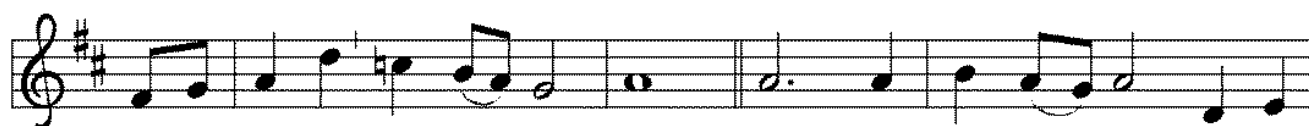
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Children's Time

Word

First Reading

Acts 10: 34-43`

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

P The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118

Choir sings Refrain, then all sing refrain. Choir sings verses.



This is the day that the LORD has made;



let us re-joice and be glad in it.



¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;
God's mercy en- dures forever.

²**Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy en- dures forever."**

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.

¹⁵**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:
"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!**

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD. R**

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.**

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."

²¹**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and you have become my salvation. R**

²²The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

²³**By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. **R**

Second Reading

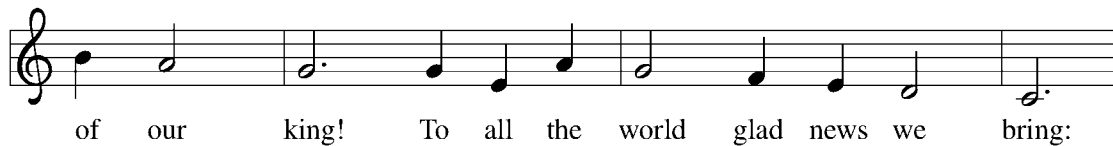
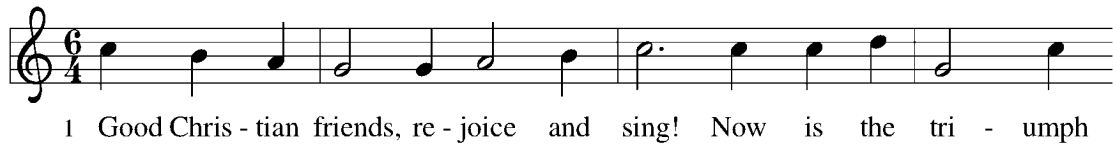
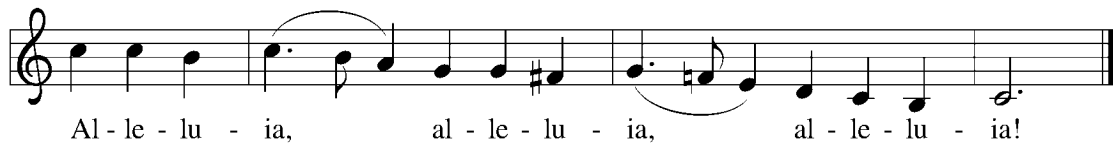
1 Corinthians 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you — unless you have come to believe in vain. ³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them — though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

P The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand



Gospel

Mark 16: 1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 16th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

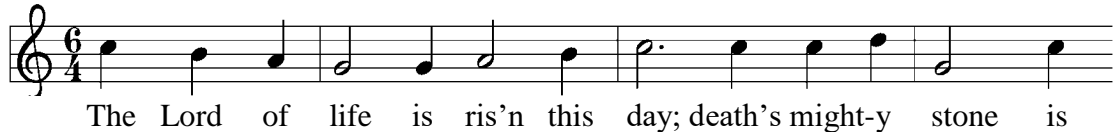
¹When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

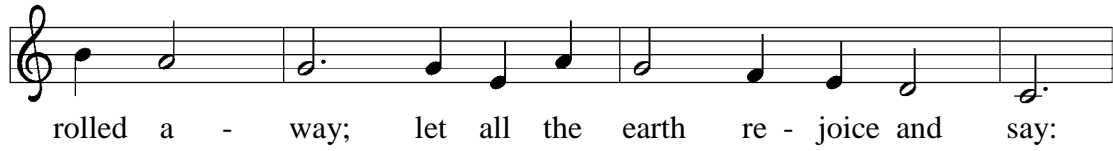
C Praise to you, O Christ.




Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



The Lord of life is ris'n this day; death's might-y stone is



rolled a - way; let all the earth re - joice and say:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Sermon

Stand

Hymn of the Day

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

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1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has
there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has
set heart and will on things a - bove that we
and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Nicene Creed

All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

At the end of each portion of the prayers:

A Lord Jesus crucified and risen,
C **Hold us in your love.**

The Sharing of Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

*Greet those around you with these or similar words.
Sit*

Offering

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today Jason W. Krug Joy Ringers

Offertory

Christ Is Arisen

Choir

Christ is arisen
from the grave's dark prison.
So let our joy rise full and free;
Christ our comfort true will be.
Alleluia!

Were Christ not arisen,
then death were still our prison.
Now, with him to life restored,
we praise the Father of our Lord.
Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
So let our joy rise full and free;
Christ our comfort true will be.
Alleluia!

Stand as offerings are brought forward

Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

+ Holy Communion +

We confess at Messiah that Holy Communion is Christ's gift to his Church, his true body and blood given with bread and wine for us to eat and drink. Here Christ confirms in us the benefits of his death and resurrection. He forgives our sins, refreshes our lives, and promises our salvation. We welcome to the Lord's table all baptized and communing Christians who share this faith.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

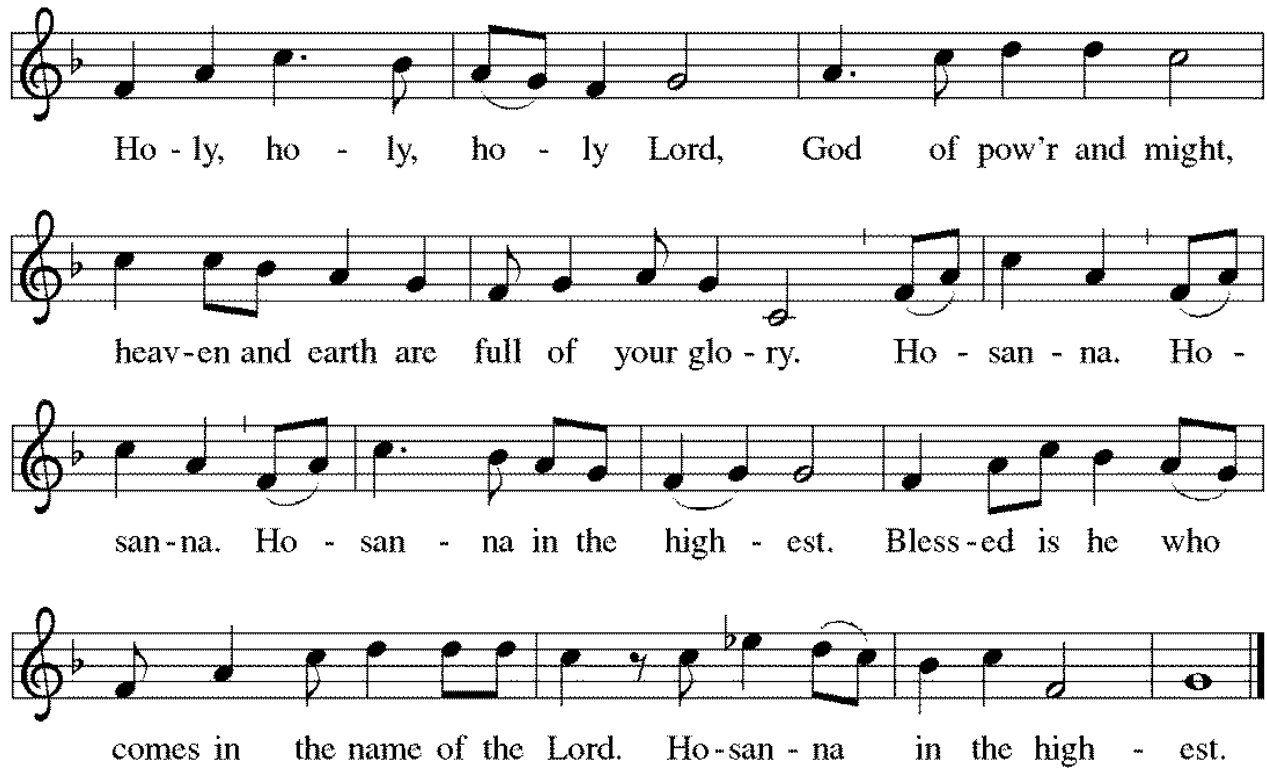
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

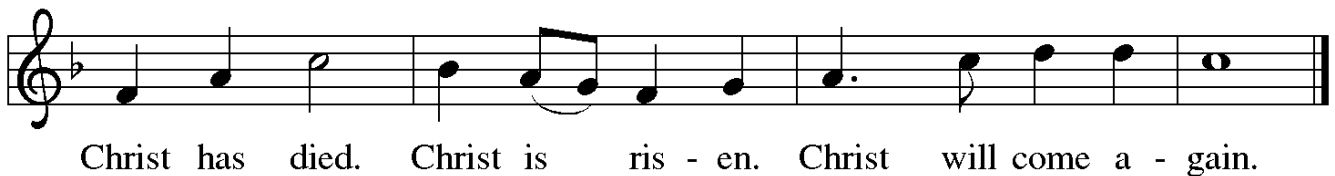
P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

P You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness; you bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence.
(the prayer continues). For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

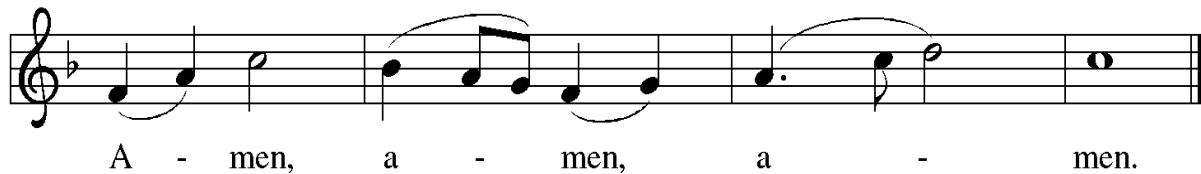
P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the incarnation of your Son: his human birth and the covenant he made with us *(the prayer continues)*. We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.



The Lord's Prayer

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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Concerning the sacrament — Holy Communion is Christ's gift to his Church, his true body and blood given with bread and wine for us to eat and drink. Here Christ confirms in us the benefits of his death and resurrection. He forgives our sins, refreshes our lives, and promises our salvation. We welcome to the Lord's table all baptized and communing Christians who share this faith.

In receiving, please follow the lead of the people around you. Gluten-free hosts are available for those who need them. Quietly ask the Pastor for the Gluten-free host.

If coming forward not to commune but to receive a blessing, approach the Pastor with your arms crossed. If you are physically unable to come forward, simply let an usher or deacon know you would like to receive communion at your seat.

Distribution

Choir

Alleluia Round

William Boyce

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

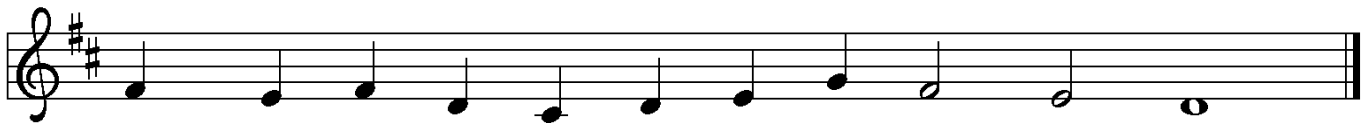
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1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
2 Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured death's dread
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal



our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast—
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; with sin - cer - i - ty and love



flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy,
this alone can sin destroy!
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!

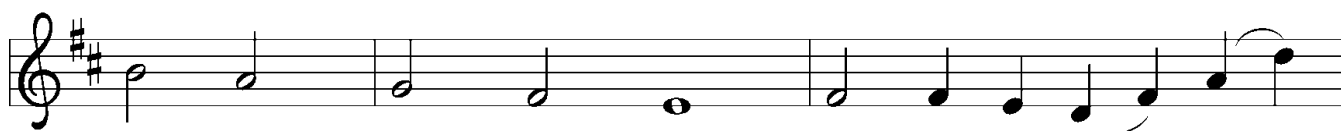
8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, your name we praise.
Alleluia!

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

ELW 619



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
 3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
 4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
 guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
 wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my



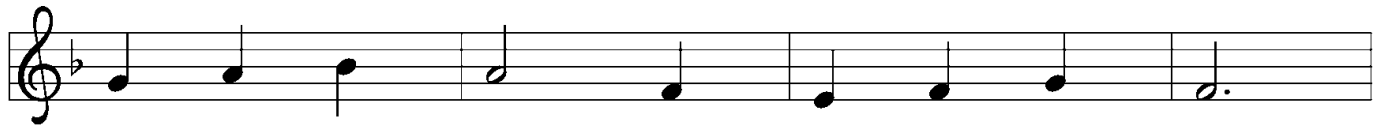
once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
 throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
 me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
 he lives, and I shall conquer death;
 he lives my mansion to prepare;
 he lives to bring me safely there.

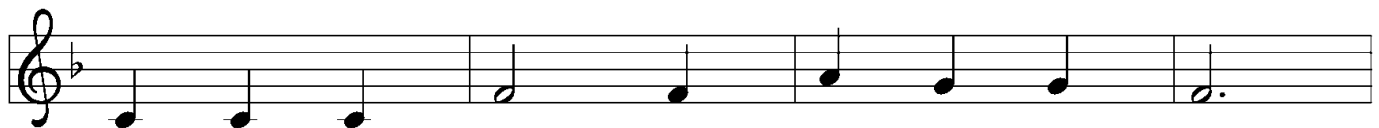
8 He lives, all glory to his name!
 He lives, my Savior, still the same;
 what joy this blest assurance gives:
 I know that my Redeemer lives!



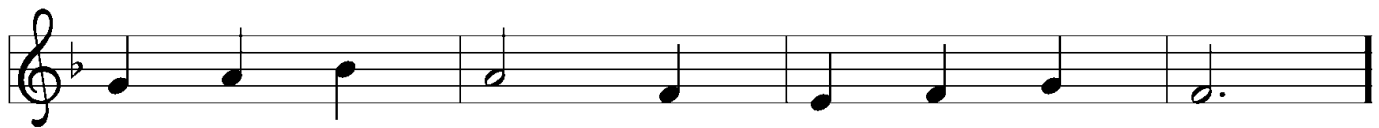
M - fu - ra - hi - ni, ha - le - lu - ya,
 1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
 2 For three long days the grave did its worst
 3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear.



m - ko - mbo - zi a - me - fu - fu - ka.
 Re - jice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.
 un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
 You look for Je - sus who is not here.

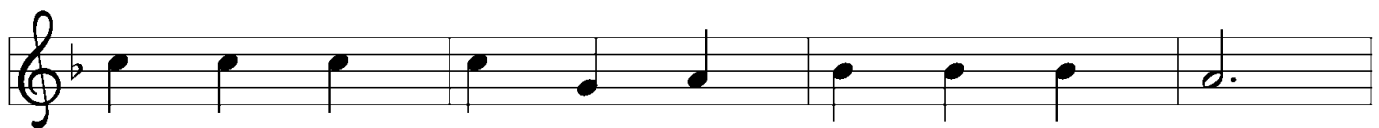


A - me - fu - fu - ka, ha - le - lu - ya,
 For our re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
 He who gives life did death un - der - go,
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare.



m - si - fu - ni sa - sa yu ha - i.
 e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 and in its con - quest his might did show.
 On - ly the grave - clothes are ly - ing there."

Refrain



Tu - mwi - mbi - e so - te kwa fu - ra - ha.
 Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy.

Ye - su a - me - to - ka ka - bu - ri - ni.
 Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.

Ka - shi - nda ki - fo, ha - le - lu - ya;
 Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

ha - le - lu - ya, Ye - su yu ha - i.
 Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

4 “Go spread the news: he’s not in the grave.
 He has arisen this world to save.
 Jesus’ redeeming labors are done.
 Even the battle with sin is won.”
Refrain

5 Christ has arisen to set us free.
 Alleluia, to him praises be.
 Jesus is living! Let us all sing;
 he reigns triumphant, heavenly king.
Refrain

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen
 and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

A Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed
 us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy,
 strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love
 toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Benediction

P Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

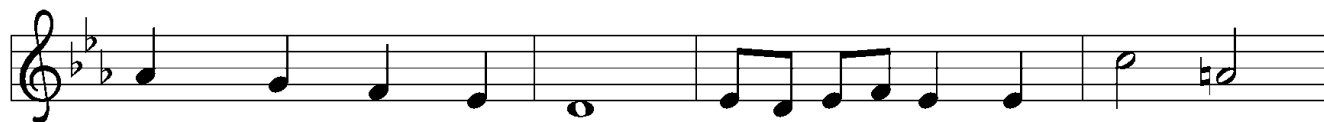
RECESSIONAL HYMN



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-



vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Dismissal

A Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

Thine Is The Glory

Arr. Michael Burkhardt

Serving This Morning

Preaching & Presiding Minister	The Rev. Seth C. Bridger
Assisting Ministers	Paula Mickan (9:00 am) Janice Snyder (11:00am)
Acolytes	Nigel Copeland (9:00am)
Interim Music Director	Deborah Zudell-Dickey
Joy Ringers	Directed by Ruth King
Brass	Timothy Shaffer, Trumpet; Adonai Henderson, Trumpet; Beth Jokhio, Horn; David Betts, Trombone; Noah Bridger; Tuba
Deacons	Robert Trapp (9:00 am) Terrie Leske (11:00 am)
Altar Guild	Debbie Luekens, Diane Paton, Elenor Davis, Maria Geier, Martha Trapp, Marilyn Edwards, Ruth Mortensen

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In memory of Sylvia Albers by the Albers-Linenkugel Family

In memory of Sarah Gator by the Carpenter & Gator Families

In memory of Diane Terry by the Carpenter & Gator Families

In memory of Lou Celesky by Baiba Celesky

In memory of John Davis by Elenor Davis

In memory of Mildred & Walter Fretthold by David & Miriam Fretthold

In memory of Ken Negray by Rita Gadus

In memory of June Schultz by Rita Gadus

In memory of Roy and Marjorie Walker by Rita Gadus

In memory of Ignacio & Felipa Romo by Maria Geier

In memory of The Rev. Bruce B. Hathaway by Kristi Hathaway

In memory of Donna Comfort by the Hollander Family

In memory of Mary L. Hollander by the Hollander Family

In memory of my parents Granger & Roslyn Krebill

by Pastor Steve Krebill

In memory of Cheryl held in His Loving arms by David Kucera

In memory of Reinhold & Eleanor Leske by Terrie Leske

In memory of Roy Martin, Sr. by Edna Martin & Family

In memory of Roy Martin, Jr. by Edna Martin & Family

In loving memory of John C. McDonald by Dianne McDonald

In loving memory of Mickie McDonald MacKeigan by Dianne McDonald

In memory of Loved Ones by Pastor Ron & Dorothy Morgan

In loving memory of Don Moeller by the Moeller & Szczepinski Family

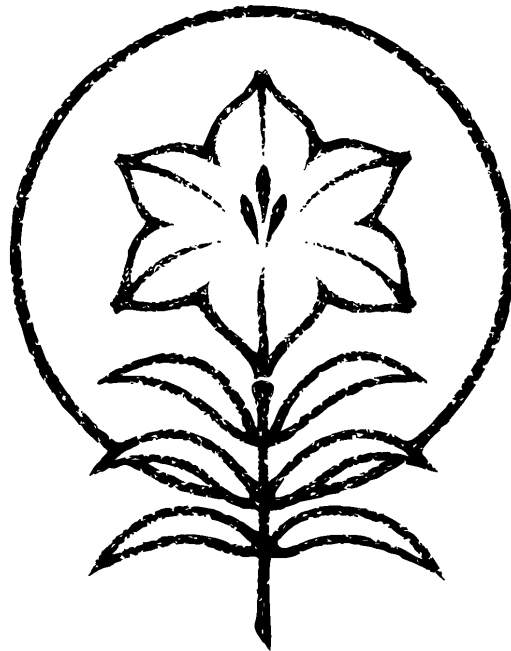
In memory of Annabelle Norman by the Norman Family

In memory of Kathleen Shaw by the Norman Family

In memory of Phil, Carl, Ruth & Nancy by the Neumann Family

In memory of Francis & Jane Pieper by the Neumann/McFadden Families

In memory of Susanne “Susy” Tershak by the Peters Family
In memory of Frank & Helen Petak by Frank & Ellen Petak
In memory of Mearl & Pearl Zimmerman by Frank & Ellen Petak
In memory of Fred & Ruth Glaser by Pam & Steve Portik
In memory of Loved Ones by Dorothy Raum
In memory of departed Loved Ones by John & Heidi Szeltner
In memory of Loved Ones by Bob & Martha Trapp
In memory of Loved Ones by Steve & Christa Turnbull
In Loving memory of Ed Kirst by Heidi Tysl
Rejoicing for Emerson’s health five years post heart transplant
by the Waugh & Buskirk Families
In loving memory of John & Irma Pugel by the O’Malley, Waugh & Buskirk Families
In loving memory of Robert, Patricia & Scott Waugh
by the Waugh & Buskirk Families



News & Announcements

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024



**Messiah
Lutheran
School**

Messiah Lutheran School: People Of Character Now Enrolling, Make The Leap To Christian Education!

Messiah Lutheran School has deep-rooted history in the community, fostering character and intellectual curiosity in its youngest members. We believe who children are is just as important as what they learn. While academic achievement is a priority for most educators, Messiah teaches more than reading, writing, and arithmetic. Our caring staff grows good character, dedicating themselves to a child's formative years – preschool through grade 5 – to nurture positive traits like compassion, generosity, and kindness. Messiah Lutheran School gives children the wisdom, attention, and care they need to thrive now and in the future. We blend Christian values and service into our curriculum so students leave campus to lead meaningful lives of purpose. **We aren't just Trailblazers. We're people of character.**

Are you looking to send your child to a safe, convenient, and values-based school? Schedule a tour with Admission's Coordinator Janice Snyder (jsnyder@messiahfp.org) and Come Home To Messiah, where Christian Education is more affordable than ever! www.MessiahSchoolFairview.org/Visit.aspx

Annual Charity Golf Outing To Benefit Messiah School June 1, 2024 Grey Hawk Golf Club

Our annual golf outing is returning to Grey Hawk Golf Club in LaGrange, OH. If you are not familiar with this course, Grey Hawk Golf Club, is a public daily fee golf course that incorporates a strategic examination of trajectory, direction, distance, and creatively blends it with the beauty of the natural features. Golfers will play 18 holes with a golf cart and range balls, lunch and dinner. Registration begins at 8 am with a shotgun start at 9 am, dinner, raffle, and prizes to conclude the day.

We can host 144 golfers this year at Grey Hawk. But act quickly as it has sold out in the past. Contact Nancy Shucofsky at 440-263-3550 or nshucofsky@messiahfp.org. Hole sponsors needed. Proceeds benefit Messiah School Scholarship Assistance for all students.

Register your foursome today at mfp.fyi/2024TeeltUp
Registrations & payment needed by May 15.

Pierstorf College Fund Applications Open April 15, 2024

A financial program to provide interest-free loans to all Lutherans pursuing a higher education who live in the State of Ohio. Students who are or will be enrolled full-time in a four-year undergraduate program at any accredited university. The maximum interest-free loan is \$4,000 for the school year. First time borrowers can be new or returning college students.




We do not ask for family income information, and strive to provide loans for every Lutheran college student. For information, visit www.Pierstorf.org to complete the online application. Applications are open April 15 until June 30, 2024. Questions? Email Pierstorf@messiahfp.org.

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Summer Schedule

We hope that your plans this summer include worshipping with us at Messiah Lutheran Church! Our summer schedule begins on Memorial Day weekend and continues through Labor Day weekend. Holy Communion services are offered at a contemporary service on Saturday evenings at 5:30 pm twice a month, and Sunday morning at 8:30 & 10 am.

<p>Senior Pastor Call Committee Update</p> <p>Saints of Messiah, First the Call Committee wants to wish you all a blessed Easter season! Due to the Easter services falling on the last Sunday, we felt it appropriate to provide our routine update in this format. We have been hard at work reviewing candidates and setting up interviews. Given the Easter holiday there have been some delays in that process. However, we have interviews after Easter as we hopefully look toward our future. We request your continues prayers, and patience as we navigate this process. Thank you!</p>	<p>ELCA National Youth Gathering “Created To Be”</p>  <p>Thank you, Messiah, for all your support of our teens and adult leaders headed to New Orleans this July! We are so grateful to everyone who dined for a great cause, baked, flipped pancakes, helped set up and clean-up. Our goal is to raise \$13,000, to travel and attend the ELCA’s National Youth Gathering this July in New Orleans. Watch our thermometer climb this Spring, and as you are led, we invite you to consider investing in our trip by becoming a stockholder this April.</p> <p>With great thanks, Pastor Shelley Nelson-Bridger, Trip Coordinator</p>
<p>Family Night April April 17 @ 6 pm</p> <p>Join us on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 pm at Messiah to celebrate as one big family. Come together with your friends and family to Eat, Play, and Pray.</p> <p>Eat...6 pm dinner is served. Bring a side dish (chips, fruit, veggies, side, etc.) to share if you’d like.</p> <p>Play...6:30 pm activities begin.</p> <p>Pray...6:45 pm story time, followed by a devotion and prayer.</p> 	<p>Pizza, Family, Friends and Fun! April 19 @ 5:30 – 8 pm</p>  <p>When: Friday, April 19 5:30 – 8pm</p> <p>What: Family fun with structured kids’ activities, family team scavenger hunt and a movie!</p> <p>What to bring: Your whole family, parents will need to accompany their children.</p> <p>Food: Concessions complete with pizza, snacks, and beverages and baked goods will be available for sale. All proceeds will fund this trip to New Orleans!</p> <p>Where: Messiah Church and School Fellowship Hall and Commons.</p> <p>Admissions: Suggested donation of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 12 and under.</p>

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<p>Save The Date</p> <p>4/8 – Solar Eclipse in Cleveland – Church & School Offices Closed 4/7 – First Bible Class 4/12 – Grief Group in Commons 4/13 – Saturday Evening Service 4/17 – Family Night April 4/21 – New Member Class, & First Bibles Class 4/25 – Laundry Love at Leo’s Laundromat 4/27 – Saturday Evening Service 5/9 – Ascension Day Service 5/11 – Laundry Love Pop-Up at The Wash House and Café 5/19 – Confirmation at the 11 am Worship Service 6/1 – Messiah School Golf Outing</p> <p>To learn more about these opportunities, please call the Church Office at (440) 331-2405 or visit www.MessiahFairview.org</p>	<p>Keep Up-To-Date With What’s Happening At Messiah</p> <p>Do you want to receive additional communications from Messiah? To be added and receive a weekly email memo, periodic texts, or a monthly newsletter mailed to you, email Sarah at sheinsbergen@messiahfp.org</p>
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